

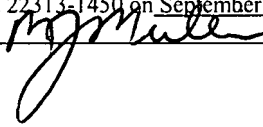


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 1, 2007, a reply to which is due October 1, 2007, with a one month extension of time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.